

Claims

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1. Hoselike member having a circumference which is composed of a number of metal wires or tubes, characterized by all the wires or tubes being substantially parallel to each other and the wires or tubes being wound in a helical manner around the longitudinal axis of the hoselike member.
2. Hoselike member according to claim 1, characterized by the metal being aluminium or an aluminium alloy.
3. Hoselike member according to any one of the claims 1-2, characterized by the circumference being at least partly made of more than one layer of wires or tubes, which are parallel to each other and form a substantially closed surface, and which are wound in a helical manner around the axis of the hoselike member.
4. Hoselike member according to any one of the claims 1-3, characterized by the wires or tubes being at least partly embedded in a protective carrier.
5. Hoselike member according to any one of the claims 1-5, characterized by each wire or tube being coated with a protective coating.
6. Hoselike member according to any one of the claims 1-5, characterized by the wires or tubes forming a substantially closed surface.
7. Hoselike member according to any one of the claims 1-6 in which the circumference is made of tubes, characterized by the ends of the tubes at one side all being connected to a first manifold, and the ends of the tubes at the other side all being connected to a second manifold, so as to form a fluid connection between the two manifolds.
8. Hoselike member according to the claim 7, characterized by the central space of the hoselike member being filled with a carrier made of a polymeric material.
9. Hoselike member according to any one of the claims 1-6, characterized by both ends of the wires or tubes being covered by a protective cover.

10. Hoselike members according to any one of the claims 1-9, characterized by the tubes having an internal diameter between 1 and 6 mm and a wall thickness between 0.1 and 0.5 mm.
11. Hoselike members according to claim 10, characterized by the tube having an internal diameter between 2 and 4 mm.
12. Hoselike members according to claim 10 or 11, characterized by the tubes having a wall thickness between 0.2 and 0.4 mm.
13. Hoselike members according to any one of the claims 1-11, characterized by the pitch angel of the tubes being between 50° and 85°, but preferably between 60° and 80°.
14. Use of a hoselike member according to any one of the claims 1-6 or 8 or 10-13, as far as is dependent upon claims 1-6 or 8, in an automotive vehicle for the protection and guidance of electrical cables, hydraulic hoses, etc.
15. Use of a hoselike member according to any one of the claims 7 or 8 or 10-13, as far as is dependent upon claims 1-6 or 8, in an automotive vehicle for the transportation of a pressurized fluid.

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